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FILE SUMMARY

File Number: L9800208

Assignment Name: ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING; IN RE

Responsible Division: LD **Date Assigned:** 10/29/1998

Lead Supervisor: Ann

Plaintiff:

Defendant:

Assignment Type: DOJ-Investigations

Attorney Action:

Paralegal Action:

File Status: Retired **Closed:** 02/23/2001

DESCRIPTION:

REQUEST BY DOJ TO INTERVIEW CIA OFFICER MAC MCCULLOUGH (SP) IN CONNECTION WITH ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MCCULLOUGH WORKED WITH MEMPHIS POLICE DEPARTMENT BEFORE JOINING CIA. NO LONGER UNDER COVER. DOJ ATTORNEY'S NAME IS YVONNE BAUMER 202 307 9588 PAGER NUMBER 1 888 346-1915.

MAC CAN BE REACHED AT 53880; SAID THAT THIS IS THE LATEST IN A LONG SERIES OF INTERVIEW REQUESTS AND THAT HE HAD PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED BEFORE CONGRESS ON THIS MATTTER. CHECK REGISTRY FOR PRIOR RECORDS ON THIS MATTER.

STAFF ASSIGNED

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RELATED FILES:

POINTS-OF-CONTACTS and CLIENTS

FILE NOTES

Date Added by Month *December 1998*

ADDED	*CREATOR*	*CREATED*	*NO_RStrict*
12/8/98	WATTSG	12/08/1998	

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PER TEL CON W/ BARRY KOWALSKI (DOJ- ASSINATION COMMITTEE) (202) 514-4067 THERE IS AN ATTEMPT TO REHABILITATE MAC'S POLYGRAPH RESULTS, WHICH WERE INCONCLUSIVE. BARRY WILL BE FORWARDING ME A REQUEST FOR MAC'S PERSONNEL FILE AS WELL AS HIS POLYGRAPH RESULTS FROM THE AGENCY. BARRY ALSO INDICATED THAT HE WANTS TO INTERVIEW MAC AGAIN BUT HAS NO PLAINS TO ISSUE ANOTHER POLY.

CLBy: *CLReas:* *CLDrv:* *CLDecl:*

Date Added by Month *January 1999*

ADDED	*CREATOR*	*CREATED*	*NO_RStrict*
1/4/99	WATTSG	01/04/1999	

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Barry Kowalski, DOJ Special Litigation Counsel Criminal Division, called regarding the our position on his request for Mac's polygraph results, background investigation, personnel file, and security file. Pursuant to an earlier meeting with Dawn and Bob C., I informed Barry that we will provide him access to the information he has requested. Barry will be out of town during the week of Jan. 11- 15. I will leave him a message instructing him that our search is complete.

I need to contact Richard Puhl, HRM, to access Mac's personnel file.

CLBy: 2201118 *CLReas:* 1.5(c) *CLDrv:* COL 1-82 *CLDecl:* X1

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1/28/99 WATTSG 01/28/1999

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ON 28 JANUARY 1999, JERRY MASSIE, DOJ/CRIM, CAME OUT AND REVIEWED MAC'S PERSONNEL FILE, SECURITY FILE, AND POLY FILE FOR THE SECOND TIME. THE PURPOSE OF JERRY'S VISIT WAS TO IDENTIFY DOCUMENTS AND INDIVIDUALS IN THESE FILES THAT MAY BE HELPFUL TO THE REHABILITATION OF MAC'S POLY. JERRY IDENTIFIED 6 DOCUMENTS FROM MAC'S PERSNNEL FILE FOR WHICH HE HAS REQUESTED A COPY. JERRY, PAUL MORRIS, JOHN TURNICKY D/OS, AND I MET TO DISCUSS THE USE OF DOCUMENTS BY DOJ FROM MAC'S SECURITY FILE AND HIS POLY RECORDS. ONE DOCUMENT JERRY SELECTED WAS A FBI BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION REPORT. JERRY WAS GIVEN THE FBI NUMBER FOR THE DOCUMENT AND TOLD TO ASK THERE PERMISSION FOR ITS USE. JERRY ALSO REQUESTED A DOCUMENT PREPARED BY A CIA BACKGROUND INVESTIGATOR. JOHN ALSO INFORMED JERRY THAT CIA SHOULD BE GIVEN THE CHANCE TO INFORM MAC THAT DOJ HAS REVIEWED HIS FILES PRIOR TO THEM INTERVIEWING HIM AGAIN. JOHN FEARS MAC BECOMING A DISGRUNTLED EMPLOYEE (WITH GOOD REASON) BECAUSE OF THIS INVESTIGATION INTO HIS PRIVATE LIFE WITHOUT HIS KNOWLEDGE. JOHN INDICATED TO JERRY THAT HE CAN NOT HAVE THIS WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING A PRIVACY ACT WAIVER FROM MAC. I AM GOING TO WORK WITH RICHARD PUHL, HRM/LGL, TO DETERMINE WHAT JERRY CAN HAVE FROM THE PERSONNEL FILE.

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Date Added by Month *April 1999*

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4/27/99	WATTSG	04/27/1999	

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Jerry Massie, DOJ/Criminal Division, requested that LD facilitate his meeting with the background investigator from Mac's 1989 BI, Richard O'Brien (301) 460-6114 and his EOD polygrapher, Hans Bialasik (703) 787-9178. I am working with security to provide Bialasik access to the building and to the 1974 polygraph report. I contacted Richard O'Brien and told him that DOJ wanted to interview him regarding a BI he conducted on an Agency employee in 1989. O'Brien also wanted to know if he needed to retain an attorney. I responded by informing him that it is not my job to recommend an attorney, but instead suggested that he discuss the matter with DOJ. Following that conversation I contacted Jerry and told him to call O'Brien.

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Date Added by Month *February 2001*

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2/23/01	WATTSG	02/23/2001	

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Investigation completed. File closed and given to Renee.

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FILE HISTORY

Volume	*Action*	*Opened*	*Closed*	*General Location*	*Specific Location*	*Responsible Officer*
1	LOANED	11/3/98	LOANED	OGC	Retired to Registry	CAUDLE, ROBERT D.

Case Retired on 04/10/01 by Jbailey Prepared one folder on 12/16/04 for retirement by LW